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# Hamilton County Reporter

The County Line

## Drug overdoses are increasing in the county

By FRED SWIFT

When drug overdose deaths are close to home it seems no one wants to talk about it. We hear that nationally and statewide there is a heroin epidemic, but getting specific here is Hamilton County, it's not so easy to find the actual number of heroin overdoses or deaths caused by various opiate drugs.

One person who tries to keep track of this health crisis is County Coroner John Chalfin. I talked to John recently and he offered to share figures on coroner cases, and they tell a sad story.

But, the coroner is not notified of all drug deaths. Some drug-related deaths are not coroner cases and some deaths occur in Marion County hospitals where officials do not



report back to a victim's home county.

In some cases a death certificate will state that a person died of kidney failure or some other organ failure when the underlying cause was heroin or some other drug. There is still a stigma attached to death due to illegal drugs.

In Hamilton County this year to date the coroner has been called to investigate 25 drug overdose deaths of which 21 involved various opiates. And, in 12 of these heroin was implicated.

In all of last year (2015) there were 18 overdose deaths in the county. Eleven of these cases involved various opiate drugs including seven deaths believed due to heroin.

Some officials have called this an epidemic. Whether or not it is yet a true epidemic, the number of tragic deaths is going up this year over last.

The ages of victims range from 20 to 60 with those in their 20s and 30s making up the larger portion. Males

outnumber females in drug overdose deaths. Chalfin, this year so far, has 17 males and 8 females listed as victims.

Our county coroner along with coroners in some others will be asking this year's state legislature to adopt a better method of indicating where heroin is involved in a death and providing some method whereby a county can keep track of victims among its residents.

The overall number of coroner cases in the county is growing not only because of drugs, but due to our increasing population. This increase has resulted in Chalfin seeking consideration of a county morgue. Whether this would be at Riverview Hospital or at some other location has not been determined. But, the coroner has asked county officials to look into the options. At the present time there are only two or three locations where a body can be kept awaiting autopsy or other investigation.

### Grand Park submits proposal for Little League Headquarters

Grand Park and the City of Westfield have submitted an official proposal to become the new home of the Little League® Central Region Headquarters.

“When it was announced in October that Little League was looking to relocate its Central Region headquarters, we were immediately interested in being considered,” said William Knox, Director of Grand Park. “We’re hopeful that our proposal makes a compelling case that Grand Park and Westfield would be ideal partners for their organization, due to our state-of-the-art sporting facilities and our shared focus on youth sports.”

The proposal outlines how Grand Park’s facilities could quickly be modified to fit Little League’s tournament and office needs. It also describes the benefits of Westfield’s close proximity to transportation and ame-



Reporter photo by Perry Williams

North Elementary School is one of the three locations that will host public meetings next month regarding Noblesville Schools’ proposal to rebalance boundaries for the district.

Three meetings scheduled for January...

## Noblesville Schools provides rebalancing update

As previously communicated, Noblesville Schools has convened a committee to study the rebalancing of school boundaries for the district. The committee is made up of district staff and parent representatives from each of the nine schools (all elementary and middle schools) potentially impacted.

The committee has finished their proposal and three schools have been identified for boundary changes: Promise Road Elementary, Stony Creek Elementary and North Elementary. Under the proposal, these schools will see either current students leaving and/or new students arriving.

No boundary changes are being proposed at any other schools in the district.

The specifics of the proposal, including neighborhoods impacted, specific school boundary changes, and proposal rationale, will be shared at public meetings where the committee will answer questions and seek input from parents.

Because the proposal does not impact all schools, changes have been made to the previously communicated public meeting schedule.

The meeting dates and locations are as follows. All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.

- Jan. 24: Promise Road
- Jan. 26: Stony Creek
- Jan. 31: North

All three meetings are open to the public and community members from any school are welcome to attend any of the meetings.

Following the meetings, the committee will finalize their recommendation for a March/April school board approval. Any proposed boundary changes will go into effect for the 2017-2018 school year.

The district anticipates due to growth trends that school boundary issues will be explored approximately every 2-3 years.

Encore Sotheby's coming to Carmel

Encore Sotheby's International Realty is preparing to break ground on its flagship building in Carmel, Indiana. The property at 12411 N. Pennsylvania Ave. was acquired in mid November and will be the home to Encore Sotheby's International Realty, a boutique luxury real estate firm.

Mark Zukerman, Founding Principal said, "We are excited to create a collaborative space for our Brokers, business partners, clients, and the community. With nearly 20,000 square feet, the building will be our headquarters and provide additional space for retail, business and restaurant tenants."

Zukerman is working alongside architect Scott Perkins with Indianapolis

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# Leena’s Bridal Boutique open in Carmel City Center

The fashion district in Carmel City Center is excited to welcome Leena's Bridal Boutique to its mix of specialty shops, opened recently.

Brought to you by Kay Zaidi, owner of Carmel Tailoring & Fine Clothier - also located in Carmel City Center, Leena's Bridal will feature 8 couture bridal designers along with Mother of the Bride/Groom gowns, bridesmaid's gowns, flower girl dresses, tuxedo rental, special occasion dresses, custom wedding gowns, custom veils, shoes and all other accessories to complete the look. Located at 731 Hanover Place, visitors will be able to shop the bridal boutique Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday by appointment.

"Opening a bridal boutique has been a dream of mine for many years," says owner, Kay Zaidi. "Carmel City Center is a beautiful landmark and I am excited to open Leena's Bridal near my other business, Carmel Tailoring & Fine Clothier," said Zaidi.

A local Carmel resident, Zaidi has 20 years of alterations and bespoke clothing experience and enjoys working with brides

to create the perfect look for their special day. Leena's Bridal, named after Zaidi's only daughter, will feature gowns by David Tuter, Pronovias La Sposa, Moonlight Collection, Moonlight Couture, Val Stefani, Casablanca, Amaré and Evelyn. Gowns are priced at \$1200 and up. Leena's Bridal will also offer tuxedo rentals through Geno's Formal Affair and Jim's Formal Wear. Featuring in-house alterations and custom gown services, with the finest materials sourced from Europe, Leena's Bridal offers brides a truly unique experience. Adding to the unique experience, Leena's Bridal will ensure no two special occasion gowns are sold for the same event.

In honor of their Grand Opening, Leena's Bridal is offering 10 percent off all wedding gowns now through Dec. 31, 2016. "We are thrilled to have Leena's Bridal Boutique at Carmel City Center and share in a business owner's dream of expansion. With Kay's talent and experience in alterations and creating bespoke clothing, brides will have a truly customized, unique experience at Leena's Bridal," said Melissa Averitt, senior vice president at Pedcor Companies.



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based Blackline to create a unique aesthetic, ideal for multiple uses, including Encore Sotheby’s International Realty’s office space. “Blackline is very excited to be collaborating on the new home for Encore Sotheby's International Realty. The design is intended to evoke a crisp, contemporary image consistent with the brand. The three story design provides space for Encore Sotheby's International Realty plus multiple other tenants and gives them access to outdoor spaces at grade and on the rooftop for interaction and collaboration. The exterior material palette is elegant and understated with two colors of gray brick and abundant glass,” states Perkins. Shiel Sexton has been tapped for the construction of the project. “Both partners provide incredible experience and expertise in the creation of interesting spaces throughout Central Indiana. We are thrilled to have them working with us to help create such a special place,” says Zukerman.

Zukerman selected the parcel at the intersection of Old Meridian and Pennsylvania in Carmel after a lengthy search for Encore Sotheby’s International Realty’s new flagship location. The continued growth and excitement surrounding Carmel – and the Meridian corridor in particular – provide an ideal

backdrop for Encore Sotheby’s International Realty, its Brokers and clients. The city of Carmel is happy to host the new building. Carmel Mayor James Brainard says, “Carmel is pleased to welcome Encore Sotheby’s to its growing family of corporate headquarters. We are also very pleased to see the creativity in design and construction on a building that will occupy a rather odd-shaped lot in a very busy corridor. We look forward watching the company grow in the future.”

Encore Sotheby’s International Realty opened its doors on Indianapolis’ north side at Meridian and 96<sup>th</sup> Streets in January of 2010. Encore’s relationship with Sotheby’s International Realty affirms its commitment to providing a superior level of service, marketing and expertise in Indianapolis and around the world. Local Expertise. Global Exposure.



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# GRAND PARK

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nities in Indianapolis and the rest of the region. Grand Park’s proposal was produced in cooperation with Bullpen Tournaments and the Hamilton County Sports Authority. Proposals were due by Dec. 15. Little League expects to identify the new location in 2017.

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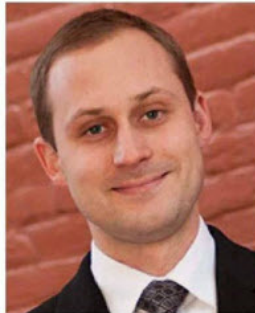



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Billy Rogers

July 21, 1934 - December 14, 2016

Billy Rogers, 82, of McCordsville, passed away on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at IU Health Saxony Fishers. He was born on July 21, 1934 to the late James and Pearl (Angleton) Rogers in Windfall, Indiana.

Billy graduated from Windfall High School in 1952, and attended Ball State University. He proudly served his country during the Cold War in the United States Marines. Billy retired after 34 years with the Ford Motor Company as a department manager of material handling at the Indianapolis plant and 2 plants in Michigan. He was a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge in Windfall and Tipton, and enjoyed hunting and golfing.

Billy is survived by his wife of 58 years, Gail Rogers; son, Gary Rogers; daughters, Terry Rogers and Julie (Glenn) Morosco; six grandchildren, Wyatt, Melissa, Megan, Allison, Raymond & Carolyn; and sister, Linda Kay (Rick) Polston.

Visitation will be from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm on Monday, December 19, 2016 at Randall & Roberts Fishers Mortuary, 12010 Allisonville Road, in Fishers, with a Masonic Service at 12:45 pm, and Funeral Services to follow at 1:00 pm. Graveside Services with Marine Corps military rites will be at 3:00 pm at Windfall Cemetery in Windfall.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association, Memorials and Tributes Lockbox, 3816 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

Condolences: [www.randallroberts.com](http://www.randallroberts.com)

DAILY BIBLE VERSE

He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

- Matthew 10:39


50 Years Ago

**News:** Rain describes the condition. Muddy, soggy and damp supplement the description. After months-long drought, conditions today in Hamilton County are as follows: White River is 14.1 feet and rising. It is expected to crest at more than 16 feet Saturday morning. Flood stage is 15 feet.

**Sports:** Glen Harper spends most of his time during the winter watching basketball and a great deal of time in the summer playing golf, But today the dean of Hamilton County’s coaches must feel like the baseball player on a hitting streak who this weekend must first face Don Drysdale and then Sandy Koufax.

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# Must-have accessories for cold weather

(StatePoint) In cooler weather, it’s all about finding clothing and accessories that stand up to the elements and are also stylish. Here are some great, functional must-have accessories to keep you looking great and feeling warm.

### Texting While Warm

This winter, you don’t need to resort to fingerless gloves or no gloves at all to be able to use your smartphone while outdoors. Continue to text, update your Instagram and orient yourself without letting your fingers go numb by using gloves with touchscreen capability. Available in a number of styles and materials, from athletic to cute to sophisticated, staying fully functional in subfreezing temperatures has never been so easy.

### Toasty Toes

Whether you are off to work in casual business attire or lounging around the house in jeans, stylish socks that hold up during long days are a must in winter. Along with your hands, you’ll want your feet to stay warm in cooler temperatures, so don’t compromise on quality. For men’s casual crew socks, the GOLDTOE brand’s Harrington collection are a great choice, as they feature innovative AquaFX Responsive Cotton, which offers moisture management and wicking capabilities to provide long lasting comfort. The brand’s Oh.So.Soft. line, women’s socks made of ultra soft yarns, are available in an assortment of colors and are nice for lounging around the house or for busy days on-the-go. More information can be found at [www.goldtoe.com](http://www.goldtoe.com).

### Foolproof Neck Warmer

Don’t let a windy day leave your throat exposed to the elements. While regular scarves are prone to unravel or even fall off on a blustery day, an “infinity scarf” is the best way to keep your neck protected no matter what blows your way. Unlike a traditional scarf that is a long piece of fabric, an infinity scarf is a full loop that closes and can be wrapped multiple times. Not just a passing trend, these scarves are easier to wear and harder to lose.

This winter, there is no need to sacrifice comfort or style. Both can be had with the right accessories.

*Weekly service begins Jan. 1...*

# Carmel approves new trash and recycling ordinance

The City of Carmel will begin offering weekly recycling services under a new trash and recycling ordinance approved by the City Council last week. The weekly service will begin Jan. 1 and is an improvement to the every-other-week recycling schedule that had been in place.

The new contract with Republic Services, which has served a majority of Carmel for many years, calls for the company to now cover all residents in Carmel. By entering into an exclusive agreement, ending the old “opt-out” option for residents, the city was able to receive a better price for taxpayers.

“This is truly a win-win for our residents who want good service at good prices along with weekly curbside recycling,” said Mayor Jim Brainard. “Republic Services has long been a great partner with our Utility Department, offering superior service.”

Monthly rates will increase slightly from \$9.90 to \$11.18 per residential customer in 2017. The rate will gradually rise to \$13.31 over the next six years under the terms of the contract. The city sought bids on this service from qualified providers and Republic Services was the low bidder by more than 20 percent.

Under the terms of the contact, city residents will receive the following:

*Weekly Recycling: The program will include weekly recycling service the same day as trash pick-up.*

*Bulky Landscape Waste Removal: In addition to the free 20 bags/bundles of landscape waste pick up in April, May and Oct. 15 to Dec. 15, residents can also schedule a special bulky landscape waste at \$10 per pick-up. This pickup includes up to eight cubic yards of material.*

*In order to get the best possible price at program rebid; and to reduce wear and tear on City streets, the City Council eliminated the opt-out provision to be effective January 2017. The Carmel City trash & recycling service will be provided to all single family homes and eligible townhome communities in Carmel starting Jan. 1, 2017. Separate instructions will be mailed to those residents who previously opted out of the City program.*

The City of Carmel residential trash & recycling service provided by Republic Services receives exceptionally high customer satisfaction ratings from Carmel residents. A recent independent professional poll showed a 95 percent approval rating, higher than any other utility or related service.

For all the details about the about the City’s residential trash & recycling program, log onto [www.carmel.in.gov](http://www.carmel.in.gov) and visit the Utilities Department.

# How to take care of bruised, fragile skin in winter

(StatePoint) Many people who bruise easily breathe a sigh of relief in the winter, because long sleeves and leggings or slacks can conceal myriad skin issues. But, it’s important to note that while the outside world can’t see what’s going on under the layers, leaving these skin issues untreated may lead to more serious problems down the road.

A healthy skincare regimen is important no matter what season it is, particularly as you age and skin becomes more fragile.

“Just like our bones, aging skin can get brittle and break,” says dermatologist, Dr. Helen Torok. “Over time, the skin’s barrier can be broken down due to a variety of factors. Luckily, you can help prevent skin aging issues with an effective year-round skincare routine. While your skin transitions from one decade to the next, taking preventative measures to help maintain a strong, healthy and resistant skin barrier is key.”

As skin ages and thins, it can become more vulnerable to insults that might not have bothered it before, manifesting in black and blue bruises on your body. However, by using a product like DerMend Moisturizing Bruise Formula, you can help fragile skin that is prone to bruising and restore skin’s natural barrier that may have been affected by aging, sun exposure or certain medications. This dermatologist-recommend cream contains ceramides, retinol, arnica oil and glycolic acid and is available at Walgreens, CVS, Rite Aid, and Walmart stores nationwide.

According to Dr. Torok, “Applying DerMend twice daily to the areas of your skin that are prone to bruising can help improve skin’s appearance and restore it to better health. It’s important to be proactive and consistent with application.”

There are also other factors besides

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# Noblesville baseball winter camps

The Noblesville High School baseball program has opened registration for the 2016 Miller Winter Baseball K-6 Camp and its 2016 Miller Baseball Middle School Prospect

The K-6 Camp takes place from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 29 at NHS. Campers in grades K-2 will learn about "the fundamental building blocks of a baseball player," according to the registration website. " Campers will be taught the proper way to throw, catch, and swing as they will go through drill work geared for their age group and skill level." Grades 3-6 will learn the "Miller Way" when it comes to "the mechanics of the swing," plate approach, pitching mechanics "and how to become the best defender possible." All ages will get lunch, movie and games.

The cost is \$75 for all ages. Walk-ups are welcome. Please bring a glove, tennis shoes, and a bat if you own one. Enter through Gate 11.

On Friday, Dec. 30, NHS coach Justin Keever and the coaching staff of the Millers and Noblesville East and Noblesville West middle schools will conduct the Middle School Prospect Camp. The camp takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"Every camper will be able to work with desired position group coach to learn best practices in their individual fundamentals while every camper will be working through team offense and defense schemes & plays," according to the registration website's description.

The cost is \$80. Lunch will be provided. Again, the necessary equipment is a glove, tennis shoes, and a bat if it is owned. Enter through Gate 11.

More information and registration is available at these websites:

**K-6 Camp:**  
<http://millerball.com/teams/default.asp?u=NOBLESVILLEMILLERS&s=baseball&p=registration&formID=135719>

**Middle School Prospect:**  
<http://millerball.com/teams/default.asp?u=NOBLESVILLEMILLERS&s=baseball&p=registration&formID=135732>

## IHSAA approves new volleyball state format

The Executive Committee of the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. unanimously approved a format change Thursday to future volleyball state tournaments.

By a 17-0 vote and beginning next season (2017), the tournament will grow to a four-week format by starting the sectional a week earlier than in previous years and eliminating the mid-week regional which caused school-night travel issues for many teams in parts of the state.

The sectional tournaments will continue as a Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday format and will be set for Oct. 10, 12 and 14, 2017. The winner of each sectional will now advance to a four-team regional the following Saturday (Oct. 21, 2017) and three days earlier than the Tuesday night format used in recent years. The semi-state tournaments on Oct. 28, 2017 will become a one-match affair for each team using a double-header setup with the winner of each match advancing to its respective state championship on Nov. 4, 2017.

The changes originated during a meeting two years ago with the IHSAA Advisory Committee of the Indiana Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (IIAAA). An ensuing survey conducted last spring showed 76.6 percent of athletics directors and 66.5 percent of volleyball coaches supported the change.

The new format does not reduce the number of contests that may be played during the regular season (25 matches plus two tournaments) and will mirror what is currently used in the girls and boys basketball and baseball tournaments.

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## Girls basketball

# Trailblazers fall to ISD

By **RICHIE HALL**  
Reporter Sports Editor

The University girls basketball team dropped its second consecutive game on Thursday, falling to Indiana School for the Deaf 38-36 at the “U” Center.

The Trailblazers were down by as much as 14-4 in the second quarter, although they managed to come back to within 21-15 at halftime. Natalie Nickless hit a 3-pointer during the period.

While University never let the game get out of hand, ISD was able to hold a four- to nine-point lead for most of the contest. Consecutive baskets put the Deaf Hoosiers ahead 35-26 early in the fourth quarter, and they led 38-28 with around three minutes to go in the game.

The Trailblazers made a comeback, scoring the game's last eight points. Nickless made another 3, then Lindsey Syrek's layin got UHS to within 38-33. Nickless then drained one more 3-pointer with 3.2 seconds left, pulling the 'Blazers to within two. University even forced a turnover from ISD, but fell just short.

University coach Justin Blanding said his team "just came out a little sluggish. We didn't warm up well, we didn't do anything well."

Nickless' three 3-pointers led her to 11 points. Syrek scored 12 points.

The Trailblazers are now 8-3, and next play Wednesday at Bankers Life Fieldhouse. University will take on Seton Catholic at 6:30 p.m. in a Pioneer Conference game.



**Reporter photo by Richie Hall**

University's Natalie Nickless made three 3-pointers on her way to 11 points during the Trailblazers' game with Indiana School for the Deaf on Thursday at the “U” Center.

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# County track and field athletes earn national rankings

Several Hamilton County track and field athletes got some national press in Track and Field News magazine's December 2016 issue.

Carmel's Ben Veatch was ranked No. 4 in the 3200 run, with his time of 8:50.92. Another Greyhound, pole vaulter Ryan Lipe, was ranked 10th in the pole vault (17 feet, which won him the state championship). Ethan Bray of Hamilton Southeastern was rated 18th (16-6).

Noblesville's 4x800 relay team is ranked 17th. The team of seniors Susanna Sharples-Gordon and Kat Dombroski, junior Abi Little and sophomore Maria Anderson ran a time of 9:05.78 to finish as runner-up in the state meet. Their respective splits were 2:17, 2:18, 2:14 and 2:15.

Both Little and Anderson tripled at the 2016 state finals. Little finished eighth in the 1600 run (4:58) while Anderson was fifth in the 400 dash (56.2 seconds). Sharples-Gordon also placed 13th in the 800 run (2:19.7). Little and Anderson also were members of the school record 4x400 relay, which placed 15th with a time of 3:59.27.



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Noblesville's 4x800 relay team is ranked 17th by Track and Field News magazine in its December 2016 issue.

## VOLLEYBALL

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An additional benefit of beginning one week earlier would be that the overlap of the volleyball and girls basketball seasons will now be cut in half. With this change, only 64 schools would still be playing volleyball when the first day of girls basketball practice begins on Monday of Week 16. Last year, girls basketball practice began the same week as volleyball sectional tournaments.

**Round Format**  
Sectional Retains format of Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday but one week earlier played during Week 15 (Oct. 10, 12, 14, 2017)  
Regional Four teams per regional site on Saturday of Week 16 (Oct. 21, 2017)  
Semi-State Two teams per class at each of four sites (doubleheader) played Saturday of Week 17 (Oct. 28, 2017)  
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# NBA standings

Thursday's scores	
Milwaukee	108, Chicago 97
New Orleans	102, Indiana 95
Denver	132, Portland 120
San Antonio	107, Phoenix 92
Golden State	101, New York 90

Eastern Conference				
Atlantic	W	L	PCT.	GB
Toronto	18	7	.720	-
New York	14	12	.538	4.5
Boston	13	12	.520	5.0
Brooklyn	7	17	.292	10.5
Philadelphia	6	19	.240	12.0
Southeast	W	L	PCT.	GB
Charlotte	14	12	.538	-
Atlanta	12	13	.480	1.5
Washington	10	14	.417	3.0
Orlando	11	16	.407	3.5
Miami	9	17	.346	5.0
Central	W	L	PCT.	GB
Cleveland	18	6	.750	-
Chicago	13	12	.520	5.5
Detroit	14	13	.519	5.5
Milwaukee	12	12	.500	6.0
Indiana	13	14	.481	6.5

Western Conference				
Northwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
Utah	16	10	.615	-
Oklahoma City	15	11	.577	1.0
Portland	13	15	.464	4.0
Denver	10	16	.385	6.0
Minnesota	7	18	.280	8.5
Southwest	W	L	PCT.	GB
San Antonio	21	5	.808	-
Houston	19	7	.731	2.0
Memphis	18	9	.667	3.5
New Orleans	9	18	.333	12.5
Dallas	6	19	.240	14.5
Pacific	W	L	PCT.	GB
Golden State	22	4	.846	-
L.A. Clippers	19	7	.731	3.5
Sacramento	9	16	.360	13.0
L.A. Lakers	10	18	.357	13.5
Phoenix	8	17	.320	14.5

Indiana led by three, but...

## New Orleans run sends Pacers to loss

By KYLE GRAND  
Courtesy nba.com/pacers

For the second night in a row, Indiana led heading into the fourth quarter but couldn't close it out, resulting in a 102-95 loss to the New Orleans Pelicans at the Smoothie King Center.

Indiana led 90-87 with 4:28 to play, and then New Orleans ran off six straight, highlighted by an Anthony Davis dunk plus the foul. The three-point play gave the Pelicans a 93-90 lead with 3:00 to play.

New Orleans extended its lead to five, and the Pacers couldn't generate a response. A little under two minutes to play, Indiana missed a pair of wide-open 3-pointers, which would have cut the deficit to two.

After the misses, on the Pelicans' next possession, Davis hit a dagger triple to put New Orleans up 98-90 with 1:29 remaining, sealing the contest in its favor.

"We got to be able to do it on both ends of the floor in the fourth quarter," Pacers head coach Nate McMillan said. "Defense didn't hold. Offense, when we did have open looks, we didn't knock down shots."

Like last night against the Heat, Indiana looked solid early, leading 7-6, but the Pelicans went on a 13-6 run to build a 19-12 advantage with 5:54 to play in the first quarter.

The Pacers' offense struggled, as they shot just 30 percent from the floor in the opening period, but they were able to keep it close, trailing by just four, 24-20, at the end of the quarter.

The Pacers kept pushing and eventually took a 28-26 lead early in the second quarter, but New Orleans responded with a lightning fast 7-0 run to recapture the lead, 33-28 and force an Indiana timeout with 7:09 left in the half.

After the timeout, the Pacers surged ahead thanks to a 16-5 run, giving Indiana a 44-38 lead with 2:55 to play in the second quarter.

Over the last minutes of the half, the teams essentially traded baskets and the Pacers took a four-point lead, 50-46, into the locker room.

In the third, the Pacers continued to lead, but couldn't pull away. Indiana got up by as much as seven, and the home team came roaring back. Rookie Buddy Hield nailed back-to-back 3-pointers to give New Orleans a 63-62 lead with 6:35 left in the third.

Hield made four triples in the quarter, including one at the 4:11 mark that tied things at 68. Both offenses went cold the rest of the period, and heading into the fourth, Indiana led 74-71.

New Orleans regained the lead in final period, building an 83-80 advantage with 7:20 to play.

In response, the Pacers scored six in a row, including four from Myles Turner to take an 86-83 lead with 6:09 remaining. But over the final six minutes and change, Indiana's offense didn't make enough shots to keep up.

"They're all frustrating," Pacers forward Paul George said of the loss. "Majority of our losses, we've been in the game or in control."

Turner had a huge night for Indiana, finishing with 26 points and eight rebounds. Jeff Teague had 21 points, six rebounds and 10 assists.

Like he has all season, Davis paved the way for the Pelicans. He did plenty of damage, ending with 35 points, 16 rebounds and five blocks. Hield made five 3-pointers en route to 21 points.



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## IBCA boys basketball coaches poll

Rank	School	Pts	Record	1st		
1	North Central	440	4-0	22	15 Homestead	131 5-0
2	Carmel	404	5-0		16 Terre Haute South Vigo	100 3-1
3	Fort Wayne North Side	393	6-0		17 Valparaiso	92 5-0
4	New Albany	356	3-1		18 Twin Lakes	79 6-0
5	Ben Davis	321	5-0		19 East Chicago Central	44 4-2
6	Lawrence North	300	3-1		20 Warsaw Community	40 4-2
7	Castle	277	3-0		<b>Other Schools Receiving Votes</b>	
8	Logansport	276	4-0		Barr-Reeve, Bloomington South, Brebeuf Jesuit,	
9	McCutcheon	275	5-1		Carroll (Fort Wayne), Chesterton, Columbus	
10	Crown Point	263	4-0		North, Connersville, Evansville Bosse, Floyd	
11	South Bend Riley	233	5-0		Central, Fort Wayne Bishop Luers, Fort Wayne	
12	Hamilton Southeastern	151	4-1		Snider, Griffith, Lawrence Central, New Castle	
13	Merrillville	145	4-1		Chrysler, Northeastern, NorthWood, Pike, South	
14	Evansville F. J. Reitz	135	4-0		Bend Adams, Tipton, Tri-West Hendricks,	
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